FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: Title: SB0353 Transfer neutered wild bison to tribal organizations **Status:** As Introduced **Primary Sponsor:** Pease, G Sponsor signature Date David Ewer, Budget Director Date **Fiscal Summary FY 2006 FY 2007** Difference **Difference Expenditures:** Federal Special Revenue \$43,725 \$27,625 **Revenue:** Federal Special Revenue \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 **Net Impact on General Fund Balance:** X Significant Local Gov. Impact **Technical Concerns** Included in the Executive Budget Significant Long-Term Impacts Dedicated Revenue Form Attached Needs to be included in HB 2

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Livestock (DOL)

- 1. During public scoping for the Bison Management EIS, neutering bison was suggested but not analyzed. An environmental assessment would be necessary to complete the process at an estimated cost of \$15,000 in FY 2006.
- 2. Over the last nine years an average of 133 bison per year would have met the criteria of this bill.
- 3. It is assumed that general anesthesia would be necessary to safely neuter the animal. The veterinarian service cost per animal, including anesthesia is estimated at \$91.46. Thus $133 \times $91.46 = $12,164$ each year.
- 4. One time supply costs for surgical instruments = \$400 in FY 2006. The per procedure supply cost for neutering is \$1.21 per animal x 133 animals = \$161 each year.
- 5. The cost of transporting is \$2.50 per mile loaded. The average distance from the capture facility to all seven tribes is 360 miles. The average load size is 4 bison. 133/4 = 33.25 or 34 trips. 34 trips x 360 x 2.50=30,600. One half the cost to be born by the State = \$15,300. One half for tribes is \$15,300.
- 6. Federal funds from existing bison management program would be used for a cost of:

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	<u>FY 2006</u>	FY 2007
Environmental Assessment	\$15,000	\$ 0
Veterinarian Services	\$12,164	\$12,164
Veterinarian Supplies	\$ 561	\$ 161
State Portion of Transporting Cost	<u>\$15,300</u>	<u>\$15,300</u>
Total Cost	\$43,025	\$27,625

FISCAL IMPACT:

	FY 2006 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2007 <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures: Operating Expenses	\$43,025	\$27,625
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u> Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$43,025	\$27,625
Revenues: Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$0	\$0
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minu Federal Special Revenue (03)	us Funding of Expenditures): (\$43,025)	(\$27,625)

LONG-RANGE IMPACTS:

There would be a long-range effect of \$27,625 each year to continue to neuter and transport of bison.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

- 1. If federal funding is no longer available the general fund would have to bear the cost to continue the program.
- 2. The existing federal cooperative agreement with work plan and budget would have to be modified by the department and approved by USDA/APHIS.
- 3. The Cooperators of the Bison Interagency Management Plan would need to approve of the modification to the plan.